



## **Exhibit A**

of the response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed December 31, 2007, of application No. 10/722,045

BUDAPEST TREATY ON THE INTERNATIONAL  
RECOGNITION OF THE DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS  
FOR THE PURPOSES OF PATENT PROCEDURE

INTERNATIONAL FORM

TO :

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NAME AND ADDRESS  
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RECEIPT IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL DEPOSIT  
issued pursuant to Rule 7.1 by the  
INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY  
identified at the bottom of this page

<b>I. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MICROORGANISM</b>	
Identification reference given by the DEPOSITOR :  <b>MPV-isolate 00-1</b>	Accession number given by the INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY :  <b>I - 2614</b>
<b>II. SCIENTIFIC DESCRIPTION AND/OR PROPOSED TAXONOMIC DESIGNATION</b>	
<p>The microorganism identified under I above was accompanied by :</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a scientific description</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a proposed taxonomic designation</p> <p>(Mark with a cross where applicable)</p>	
<b>III. RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE</b>	
<p>This International Depositary Authority accepts the microorganism identified under I above, which was received by it on <b>19 January 2001</b> (date of the original deposit)<sup>1</sup></p>	
<b>IV. RECEIPT OF REQUEST FOR CONVERSION</b>	
<p>The microorganism identified under I above was received by this International Depositary Authority on (date of the original deposit) and a request to convert the original deposit to a deposit under the Budapest Treaty was received by it on (date of receipt of request for conversion)</p>	
<b>V. INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY</b>	
<p>Name : <b>CNCM</b> Collection Nationale de Cultures de Microorganismes</p> <p>Address : <b>INSTITUT PASTEUR</b> 28, Rue du Docteur Roux F-75724 PARIS CEDEX 15</p>	<p>Signature(s) of person(s) having the power to represent the International Depositary Authority or of authorized official(s) : <b>Georges WAGENER</b></p> <p>Date : <b>10 July 2001</b></p>

<sup>1</sup> Where Rule 6.4(d) applies, such date is the date on which the status of international  
depositary authority was acquired.